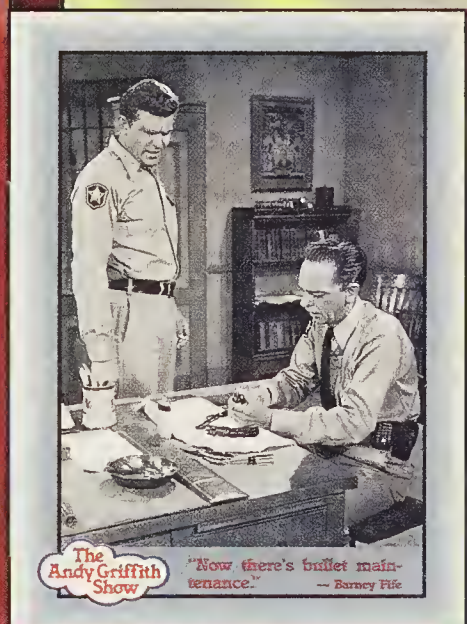


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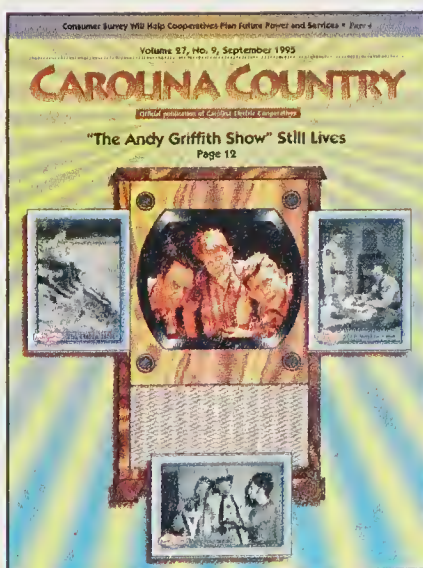
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Heat pumps on the coast

We read with interest the piece on heat pumps [June 1995] that quotes a study that found that "the median life of heat pumps is 19 years." We installed two heat pumps at our oceanfront house in 1987. Both have required repairs and complete replacement of compressors. The first went in three years; the second compressor went last year. Thus, the median life of our heat pumps is about six years. We have changed filters monthly. Do you have any suggestions for extending the life of heat pumps on the Outer Banks?

Davis B. McCarn, Rockville, MD

The average life of a heat pump located on an oceanfront property is four to five years due to deterioration of the aluminum fins in condensing units. Electrolysis caused by sand and salt spray causes the aluminum fins to separate from the copper coil in the outside condensing unit. To add life to units, periodically wash off the outside condensing unit to remove sand and salt spray. Brands which use a solid louvered jacket help keep sand and salt spray out of the condenser coil. Some newer units have been designed with a vase pan which allows the salt and sand to be washed away during rain storms and

defrost cycles.

It is important to shield the outside unit from direct sunlight for improved efficiency. placed in areas with northeast prevailing winds, surround the outside unit with a lattice fence to help protect it from sand and salt spray. When placed under a parking deck, it is important to manually spray it off because there will be little, if any, washing occurring from rain. Homeowners can easily spray units themselves. Before spraying, turn off all power to the unit at the circuit breaker. Or, call a qualified, licensed heating and air conditioning contractor to do the job for you.

Right again

Charles Joyner fooled me in "Name ____ County" ["Joyner's Corner," July 1995]. I thought No. 2 was Mitchell (eager or itching to do something), and that No. 9 was Stanley (color tan). I enjoy Carolina Country. I'm a member of Blue Ridge Electric.

C.L. Yearwood Jr., Durham

These are perfectly good answers. Two rights don't make a wrong.

150 recipes and counting

My sister and I would like to thank all those who sent us the Milky Way Cake recipe [Letters, May 1995]. We received more than 150 and are still receiving. Too many to thank personally. Please thank them for me.

Verna Damouth, Washington

34,000 Consumers Will Help Plan Future Cooperative Services

Since when did consumers have a say in the future of their electric cooperative?

The answer is: since the beginning. Electric cooperative members have had a say since their cooperative was formed, and they still do.

Over the next few months, consumer-members of North Carolina's electric cooperatives will be asked to help plan the future of their electric service. This is a critical time for consumer participation, because the electric utility industry is changing.

The arena of electric service is beginning to open to other providers. In an increasingly competitive league, cooperatives must continuously sharpen their focus and improve services in order to provide the best possible electric service at the most economical price.

Cooperatives are in the business of providing services for individuals, families and businesses who are the consumers—and own-

ers—of the cooperative. So it is natural for consumer-members to be involved in planning the facilities and services for the future.

Beginning this month, more than 34,000 members of North Carolina's cooperatives will be asked to help. Most consumers (about 27,000) will receive in the mail a four-page survey of questions about their household electricity usage. An additional 5,600 will be called by telephone. And about 1,500 already participating in a data collection project that actually measures electricity usage.

The four-page residential survey will cover the following general information:

- *Your home - location, size, age, utility services.*
- *Water heater - size, age, energy used, location.*
- *Heating - system type, age, usage patterns.*
- *Cooling - system type, age, fan use.*

- *Appliances - usage patterns, outdoor lighting.*
- *Energy saving - insulation and management devices.*
- *Household facts - own or rent, number of residents, employment, income.*

The telephone surveys will cover the following:

- *Preferences for energy sources and appliances.*
- *Use of appliances and energy management systems.*
- *Awareness of energy issues.*
- *Opinions on energy issues.*
- *Satisfaction with services.*

All information will be kept confidential. *The information will not be given to other agencies or used to sell you goods and services.* Anyone who is surveyed may choose not to respond, but cooperatives encourage full responses so that future service decisions can be based on as much consumer input as possible.

Members who receive the four-page mail survey will be given the name of a contact person at their electric cooperative who can answer questions about the survey and offer other help. Completed surveys can be returned by a postage-paid envelope.

Those who are selected to be surveyed were chosen from a scientific random sample. Households were not chosen by name.

Participation in any of the surveys this fall will help your cooperative:

- *Plan for an adequate power supply at the lowest possible cost.*
- *Provide the services members need and want.*
- *Forecast the need for future power supply and facilities.*
- *Maintain financial stability.*

If your household is selected to respond to a survey, your cooperation will go a long way toward giving you and your neighbors satisfactory, economical service.

Explaining PMAs and federal subsidies

by Chuck Terrill



A new member of Union Electric Membership Corporation wrote recently to Carolina Country in response to an editorial published in the July magazine ["Promoting common sense in Washington, D.C." by Glenn English].

The letter asked two basic questions about our business. The first question was, "Why are members of Congress interested in selling off the PMAs?"

The idea of selling the PMAs (federal power marketing administrations) is one of many proposed to help balance the federal budget. We favor a balanced budget and have suggested and accepted measures toward that goal, but some ideas are bad business. Electric cooperatives in North Carolina oppose selling the PMAs in order to protect our members' investments and electricity rates.

The federal government created power marketing administrations to sell electricity generated by its big hydroelectric facilities. Most of these dams were built to control floods, and their electricity generation was an additional benefit.

Member-owned electric cooperatives and municipally-owned electric utilities for many years have paid the operating and maintenance costs of the PMAs. We pay the personnel. We pay to upgrade the generation and transmission systems. We are repaying, with interest, the loans that built the hydroelectric dams. Our payments also support the flood control, river transport, water supplies, recreation and other benefits these facilities provide. In turn, we buy wholesale power from the PMAs at favorable rates.

Our financial support of the federal hydroelectric facilities and the PMAs now shows its value as a long-term investment, and we do not want these facilities sold out from under us. If offered to the highest bidder, the PMAs probably would be sold to a giant investor-owned utility that would not offer favorable rates to you and me in the electric cooperatives. The result would be a substantial rate hike.

Government officials who support electric cooperatives and understand the reality of the PMA issue are calling the proposal to sell the PMAs a "backdoor tax increase." While such a sale would provide a one-time cash infusion to the federal treasury, it would leave members of electric cooperatives making up the difference.

Of North Carolina's 28 electric cooperatives, 25 buy some quantity of power from the Southeastern Power Administration (SEPA). If SEPA is sold, it would cost the state's electric cooperatives \$23

million to replace that power for one year. Union Electric estimates its cost at \$1.3 million per year. Our rates surely would rise.

In effect, the federal government would raise our electric rates. At the same time, the government would upset the competitive balance among electric utilities.

Please contact your representatives in Congress and urge them not to sell the PMAs.

Federal subsidies

The Union Electric member also asked, "Is there any federal subsidy, either direct or indirect, contributing to the current rates being paid by consumers within the various Carolina Electric Cooperatives?"

The answer is yes. All electric utilities are assisted by the federal government. The federal tax code grants favorable incentives to investor-owned and municipal systems. Cooperatives receive favorable interest rates on loans. The most recent information available to us from the U.S. Department of Energy shows the following amount of federal assistance in a single year:

Investor-owned utilities: \$4.96 billion.

Municipal utilities: \$1.09 billion.

Cooperatives: \$265 million.

Electric cooperatives, since their formation more than 50 years ago, have served far fewer consumers (and therefore earn less revenue) per mile of distribution line than the other utilities. Today the average in North Carolina is 8 consumers per mile for cooperatives, compared to 23 consumers for investor-owned utilities and 32 consumers for municipal utilities. Because of these circumstances, the U.S. Department of Agriculture offered subsidized loans (5 percent interest) for cooperatives to build and maintain facilities to under-served rural areas of the nation.

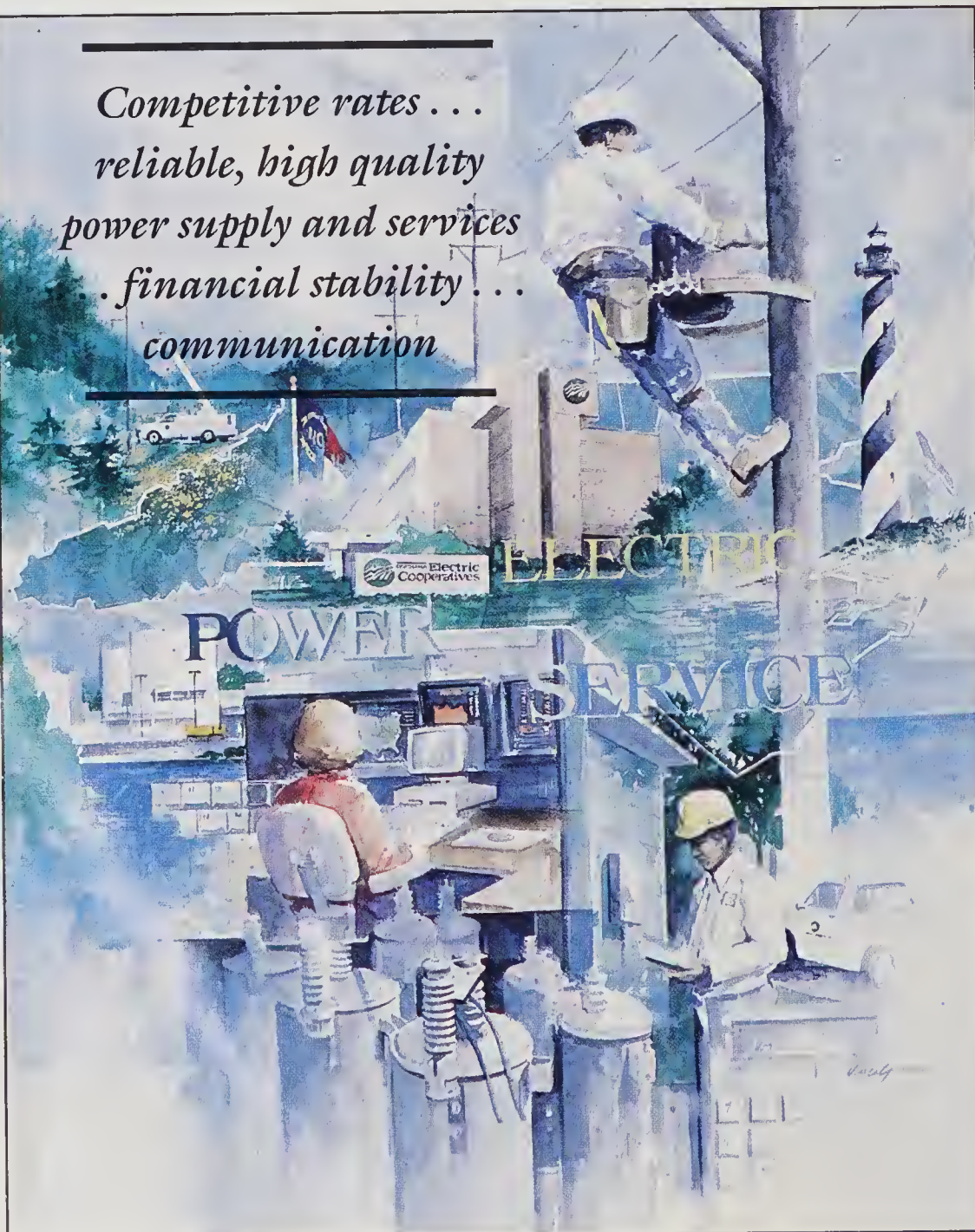
More than two years ago, cooperatives worked with the federal government to all but eliminate that subsidy. Today, virtually all cooperatives seek loans at rates comparable to those available to municipal governments. In fact, the cost of federal loans to electric cooperatives nationwide dropped to \$56.1 million in Fiscal 1995 from \$152.7 million in Fiscal 1993.

Chuck Terrill is executive vice president of the state offices of Carolina Electric Cooperatives.

K·E·Y·S to Successful Cooperatives

By Susan R. Gilbert

*Competitive rates . . .
reliable, high quality
power supply and services
... financial stability . . .
communication*



It's hard to believe that only 60 years ago, rural Americans who organized to supply themselves with electricity faced considerable skepticism. But against the odds, member-owned utilities have grown to become a major force across our country.

Today, electric cooperatives serve more than 11 million homes and 25 million people across the country. Electric co-ops cover almost 90 percent of the nation's land mass. And North Carolina's network of electric cooperatives is the second largest in the nation, reaching more than 1.5 million people in 95 of the state's 100 counties.

As the 21st century draws near, electric cooperatives still encounter challenges and opportunities — some new, others not so new. But the fundamental principles of member-owned, democratically-controlled, not-for-profit cooperatives remain as stable as they have been since Benjamin Franklin formed the Philadelphia Contributorship insurance cooperative in 1752.

How are cooperatives meeting the increasingly competitive business climate?

"The basic need for what they provide is still there," says F. Carlyle Teague, president of the Cooperative Council of North Carolina. "As much as the state has grown, we still have a lot of remote areas that investors, particularly electric and telephone, would not want to serve. We're more rural than we think."

"Cooperatives are valuable because they provide a competitive yardstick and keep everyone else honest," Teague says. "Long term, I see the electric co-ops continuing to serve the needs of North Carolina. But as there is more competition, they know they are going to have to give first-class service to members and remind them why co-ops are important."

Eugene W. Brown, Jr., manager of the Roanoke Electric Cooperative in Rich Square and past chairman of the state Cooperative Council, believes there are five distinctions that can define successful cooperatives in today's market:

● A competitive retail rate structure backed by uniform rules and regulations. "With 27 co-ops," Brown says, "we need to be consistent in the way we do business."

● A sound capital credit retirement system. "We're having to take a new look at how we retire capital credits," he says. "It used to be on a first-in-first-out basis to get back capital. But we want to shorten this cycle so that all members benefit when there is a payout."

● A quality electric plant and quality service. "People want and expect the same types of quality and services as their city neighbors."

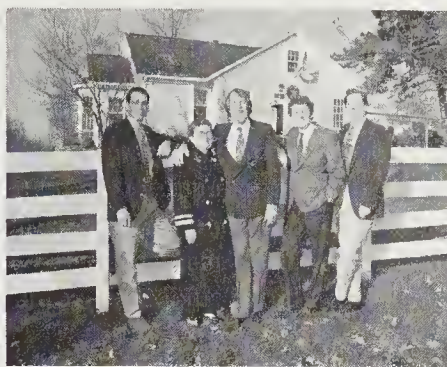
● Smart financing for long-term projects. "We're trying to finance some projects from general funds where possible," Brown says. "But we must have long-term funds for our larger endeavors, and I don't know if we can count on the RUS [Rural Utilities Service—formerly the REA] in the future. We need to present a good financial posture to creditors."

● A defense against takeover threats by other utilities—an old challenge that keeps resurfacing. "When a company like Duke Power issues a news release stating they're looking to buy municipal utilities and electric cooperatives, you take the threat of takeover seriously," says Brown. "The members decide whether to sell their cooperative, so satisfied members will ultimately help us avoid being bought out."

How to satisfy members? Carlyleague says that education is a key component. And Eugene Brown insists on satisfactory rates and service. He adds, "We should conduct surveys of our membership, find out what they need and want." [See page 4.]

National legislation also stands to have profound effects on the relationships between the co-ops and the communities. Last year President Clinton signed a bill that restructures the RUS's loan programs to give electric co-ops access to water and sewer programs, opening opportunities for co-ops to provide broader services to communities.

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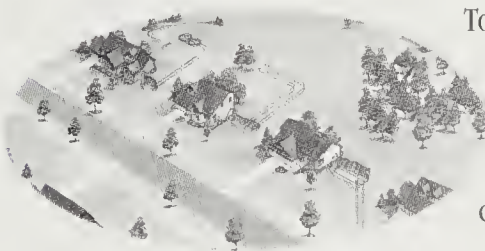
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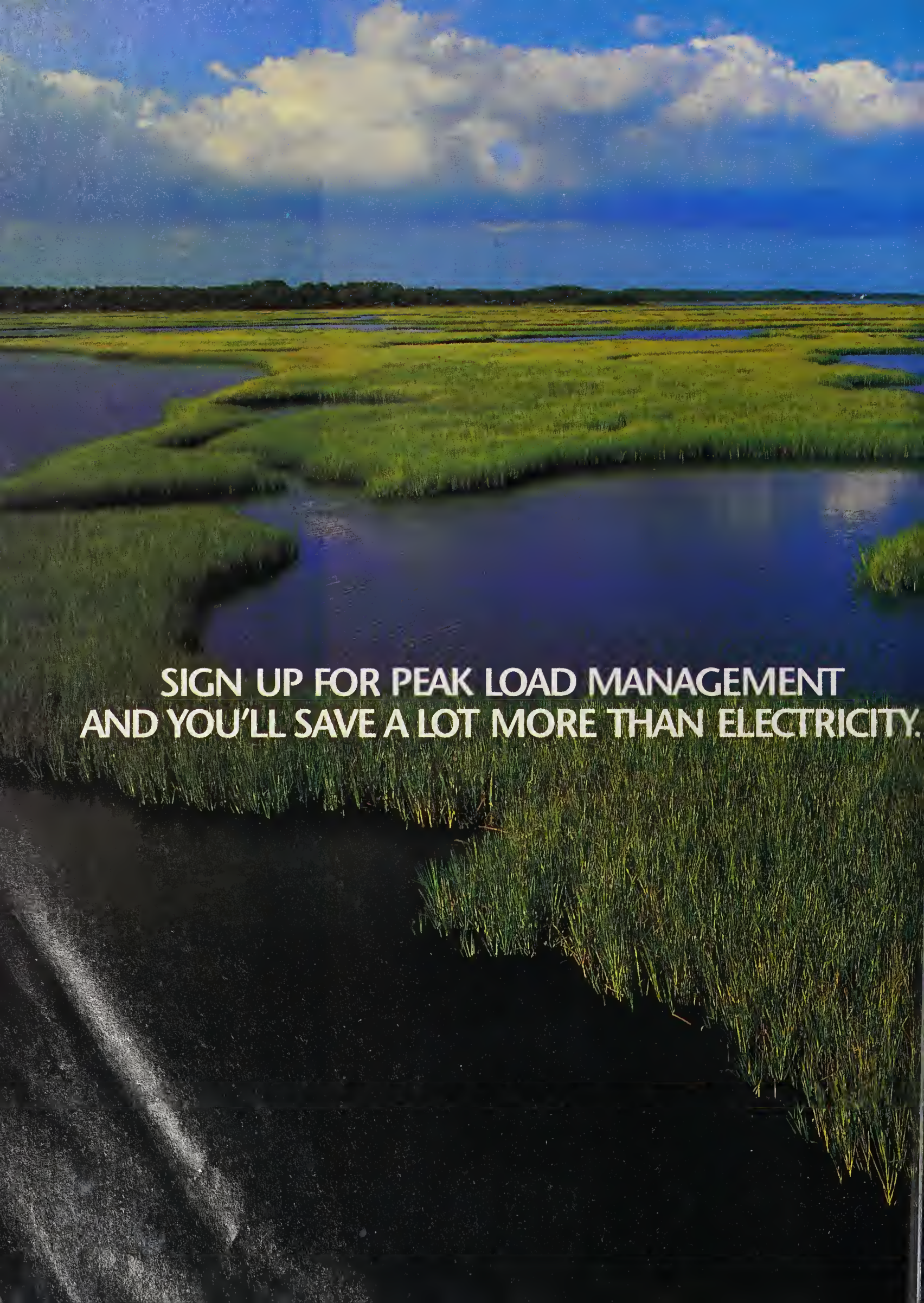
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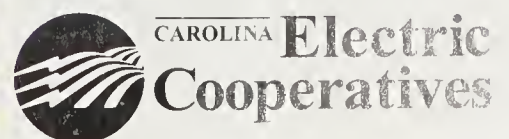
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The house is the 1995 Symphony Guild ASID Designer House, the 24th to serve in a fundraiser the guild has conducted since 1952.

Built in 1980, the house comprises over 10,000 square feet on three acres in south Charlotte. Visitors may see 25 areas, including two 4-car garages, living room, dining room, entry hall, six bedrooms, exercise room, large master suite and open family room-kitchen.



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Artist Mary Edna Fraser.



"Outer Banks," batik on silk.



"Shackleford Island," batik on silk.

Aerial impressions of the coast

Long, silken banners that show the colors and shapes of the Southeastern coast decorate the interior of the North Carolina Maritime Museum in Beaufort through Nov. 4. The flowing silk batik sheets are from an exhibit by small-plane pilot and fabric artist Mary Edna Fraser, of Charleston, S.C.

Fraser flies her 50-year-old Ercoupe low-wing monoplane low over the terrain she wants to depict, and she shoots photographs. Later she traverses the land itself and consults other aerial and satellite images before turning to the ancient

dye-resist technique of silk batik. Some of her pieces hang flat against a wall, others sway overhead. About 50 hung earlier this year at the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C.

The 21 pieces in the Beaufort exhibit, "Outer Banks," include silk batik hangings, paper monotypes, photographs and Fraser's flight log. Many of the scenes are of the North Carolina coast.

For information about special events associated with the exhibit, call the museum at (919) 728-7317.

Kinston Tobacco Market turns 100

The Kinston Tobacco Market noted its 100th year in July as the tobacco market season opened.

It was an occasion to remember the inspiring work of Capt. Jesse W. Grainger, who bought \$500 worth of tobacco seed in the spring of 1885 and rode throughout Lenoir County urging farmers to plant them. He promised to have a sales warehouse built for the crop by that fall.

Farmers were eager to emerge from an economic depression at the time. The enterprising ones soon learned that eastern North Carolina soil produced hefty tobacco plants with bright, delicate leaves.

Grainger was true to his word and opened the Kinston-Carolina Warehouse on the corner of Heritage St. and Vernon Ave. He hired as manager Luther P. Tapp, who became a legendary tobacco marketer, leading Kinston to boast of itself as "the world's foremost tobacco center."



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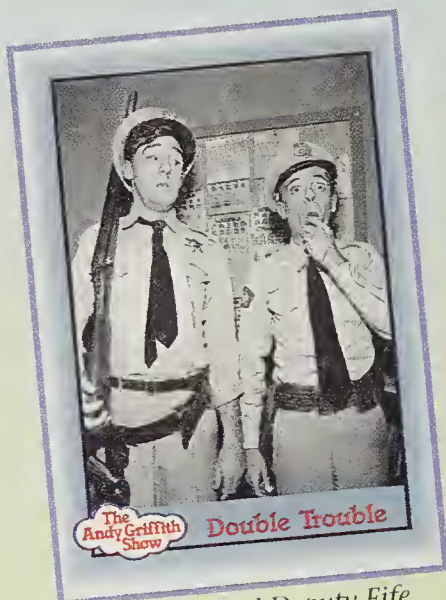
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Barney made contact with an escaped prisoner, then "he kinda got uncontacted."



"The loaded (with dynamite) goat." Barney warned, "One wrong move and everything goes blooey!"



Barney teaches Opie how to draw a gun.

By Bill Flynn

Shelton Fields is "Keeper of the Door" for the Barney Chapter of The Andy Griffith Show Rerun Watchers Club. His official duty is to admit visitors only when they whisper the secret monthly password. Exceptions are the rule. Help is freely given in the event of forgetfulness. Fields himself sometimes forgets.

The door for a recent Barney Chapter meeting was hinged to a rented, pale yellow beach cottage at No. 18 Greensboro Street on Wrightsville Beach. Shelton, his wife Wanda, daughter Jenny, and seven Barney Chapter members spent yet another summer vacation together.

"We're having a knock down, drag out time," Fields bubbled when I phoned the cottage. "View through the window is spectacular."

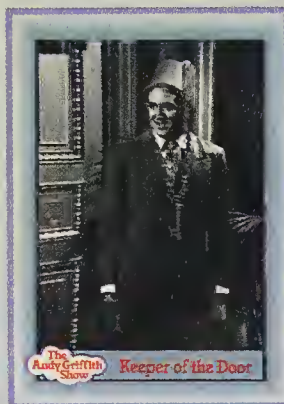
Right after graduating from professor Neal Brower's "Andy Griffith Show" course at Guilford Technical Community College, class members decided to continue seeing each other under the auspices of the Barney Chapter.

Their first vacation trip was to North Carolina's Outer Banks and Manteo. Andy Griffith keeps a home in Manteo. Club members dutifully noted his closed driveway gate, but no confirmed sightings were reported.

These friendships are more than fleeting. Barney Chapter spends two summers in Boone, and number four this year at the beach.

Says Fields, "We just sort of throw a big pile of groceries in the middle of the table. And we go out to restaurants and eat out evening meals together. Group entertainment included a visit to the Battleship North Carolina and a dinner dance aboard the "Henrietta II."

When not vacationing, the group may attend the annual dinner at the Asheboro home of Neal Brower's mom, a Barney Chapter member. It is mandatory that all fixins hail directly from "Aunt Bee's Mayberry Cookbook." The Barney Chapter has been known to have an ice cream freeze, to Reruns, trivia, cast member news and highly detailed Mayberry conversation round out many a meeting.



Goober as Keeper of the Door for the Regal Order of the Golden Door to Good Fellowship.

Look who's watching

Among members in good standing of the Andy Griffith Show Rerun Watchers Club are Bill Clinton's presidential campaign strategist James Carville, country music's Randy Travis, Michael Jordan, boxing champ George Foreman, television host Tom Snyder and United States Senator Sam Nunn. The unutterable abbreviation, AGSRWC, makes up in the homespun department what it lacks in ease of pronunciation.

The "Presiding Goober" of the 20,000-member-strong Andy Griffith Show Rerun Watchers Club is Jim Clark. From Nashville, Tenn., his answering machine whistles the familiar background theme.

"It's prime time for Mayberry this year," Jim Clark chimed when I called him. "We're not very grandiose in our grand plan. We're just a bunch who like to watch the Andy Griffith Show." Dedicated to the promotion and enjoyment of watching the Andy Griffith Show. That's so we have something official looking on the chapter charters."

he fuss

So what's all the fuss? Mayberry's enduring popularity is based on love, Andy will tell you—love among the characters of the show and love expressed through the themes of honesty, consideration and wholesome fun.

"To me it's really great entertainment," says Jim Clark. "People wouldn't tune in just to see wholesome. The fact that it is wholesome and nostalgic makes it even better."

Sure, there are imperfections in the show. Barber Floyd Lawson (Sure gonna miss cutting his hair . . . He's got nice hair") was called Floyd Colby in one episode.

Barney ("All us Fifes are sensitive") has trouble settling on a middle name. Oliver, P., and Milton have all come between the Fife and the Fife.

While learning to pass potatoes at the dinner table, rock tossologist Ernest T. Bass blurts, "I didn't throwed it, I heaved it!"

Though in the same home throughout the series, Andy ("You beat everything, you know that") Taylor's address migrated from 14 Maple to 24 Elm and to 322 Maple.

These and other imperfections bedevil Mayberry to this day.

Mount Airy

What is the significance of Mount Airy, N.C. to the show?

"Primarily, it is Andy Griffith's hometown," Clark explains. "Andy is quick to say Mayberry is not based on Mount Airy. Folks who visit Mount Airy will see some similarities between Mount Airy and Mayberry. Mostly in names of businesses as well as people's names, that type of thing."

Finding Mayberry, N.C. is simple but not easy. Head to northwest North Carolina, pretty close to the mountains, and go a half hour's drive from Mount Pilot. Best advice may be to check the TV listings.

Oh! It's big!

For Mayberry's 35th anniversary, Clark is boasting a new edition of "The Andy Griffith Show Book" he authored with Ken Beck a decade ago. "Updates on some of the trivia, lots of new photos including some in color. A foreword by Paul Harvey. It's been ten years," Clark says.

The 1995 Mayberry Days in Mount Airy begin Thursday, Sept. 28, with a golf tournament. The down-home Mayberry celebration of art, food, crafts, contests, parades and walking tours, continues through the weekend. Sights

include Andy's boyhood home, The Snappy Lunch, the barber shop, The Andy Griffith Playhouse, and reruns at the Downtown Cinema.

"Oh! It's big," Barn would say. "Big, big."

Cast members scheduled to appear at Winston-Salem's Stevens Center for two Mayberry Reunion shows Saturday, Sept. 30, and Sunday, Oct. 1 include Don Knotts (Barney Fife), George Lindsey (Goober), Howard Morris (Ernest T. Bass), Betty Lynn (Thelma Lou) and others. Proceeds will go toward local scholarship funds.



The Barney Chapter on vacation in Boone.



The Mayberry cruiser replica on display at a Carolina Mudcats game.

Real courtroom drama, Mayberry style

Greensboro attorney Louis Allen, of Floyd ("as in Floyd the Barber"), Allen and Jacobs, has actually built a legal argument based on "Andy Griffith Show" episodes. "If the case seems so obvious, there's a good chance someone was trying to throw law enforcement off the track," says the attorney.

Allen, who admits his TAGSRWC dues are in arrears, once referred to episode No. 68 to convince a jury of the innocence of his client. Aired originally on Oct. 29, 1962, "The Cow Thief" shows a barnyard crook stealing cows by placing boots on the cows' feet. Intentional bogus shoe tracks in the mud, however, do not escape the eagle eye of Bernard Fife, M.D.- Mayberry Deputy. Barney uses fancy forensics footwork to conclude that three

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Occasionally the speedy execution of justice doesn't allow time for formal attire.

The Andy Griffith Show

Words for Whistlin'

Few people know Everett Sloane's wonderful lyrics to the catchy whistling score by Earl Hagen and Herbert Spencer that sweetly wraps the start and finish of each Mayberry visit. Perhaps no words evoke the sentiment of "The Andy Griffith Show" fan better than these:

Well, now take down your fishin' pole, and meet me at The Fishin' Hole. We may not get a bite all day, but don't you rush away. What a great place to rest your bones, and mighty fine for skippin' stones. You'll feel fresh as a lemonade, a-settin' in the shade. Whether it's hot, whether it's cool, oh what a spot, for whistlin' like a fool.

What a fine day to take a stroll and wander by The Fishin Hole. I can't think of a better way, to pass the time of day.

We'll have no need to call the roll when we get to The Fishin' Hole. There'll be you, me and Old Dog Trey, to doodle time away. If we don't hook a perch or bass, we'll cool our toes in dewey grass. Or else pull up a weed to chaw, and maybe set and jaw. Hangin' around, taking our ease, watching that hound, a-scratchin' at his fleas.

Come on take down your fishin' pole, and meet me at The Fishin' Hole. I can't think of a better way, to pass the time of day.

Bill Flynn is a freelance writer and host of a morning radio program on WMAG, 99.5 FM. He and his wife and three sons live in Kernersville, where it is not uncommon to see him cruising in his 1963 Ford replica of a Mayberry squad car.

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criminals are involved in the bovine heists. Only after Andy accurately points out the absence of cow tracks does the case get solved.

The Cow Thief Defense helped one of Floyd Allen's clients to a split decision and an acquittal on one criminal count.

"The show is founded on this premise of common sense," Allen offers in closing.

You can, too

Joining TAGSRWC or starting your own chapter begins with a \$10 annual subscription to "The Bullet," the official newsletter of the Andy Griffith Show Rerun Watchers Club. Carolina Country readers may obtain a free sample issue by writing to: TAGSRWC, 9 Music Square South, Suite 146, Nashville, TN 37203.

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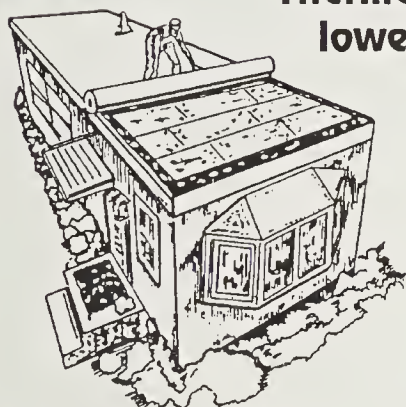
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If you want to visit Table Rock, take I-40 to Exit 105 and follow signs to Highway 181 North. Turn left at the first Pisgah National Forest "Table Rock Picnic Area" sign and onto a shaded, gravel road. The maintained road continues 13 miles. Pass the entrance to the Outward Bound Outpost and continue three miles to a parking area where there are restrooms and picnic shelters. The hike on the trail to Table Rock takes about 45 minutes. You probably will notice a cooler temperature in this vicinity. The view from the rock shows Linville Gorge and the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Among other rock formations in the Pisgah National Forest are Sitting Bear, Hawksbill, Shortoff and The Chimneys. For more information, contact Burke County Chamber of Commerce at (704) 437-3021.



The Old Davidson County Court House

Lexington artist Greg Farrell has issued a new, limited edition print entitled "A Passing In Time," showing two youngsters glimpsing an early Model-T against the backdrop of the historic Old Davidson County Court House.

Published from an acrylic painting, the print measures 18 by 21 inches (on 22 by 25-inch paper). Signed and numbered prints cost \$85, artist proofs are \$125. For more information, contact Greg Farrell at 489 Arthur Tussey Rd., Lexington, NC 27292 or call (704) 731-3723.

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- All children less than 12 years old must wear seat belts in both front and back seats. (The previous law applied to children less than 6.)
- There is no longer an exemption for vehicles registered outside the state.
- The same law as of Jan. 1 restricted carrying children under age 12 in the open beds of pickup trucks, except when:
 - An adult is present in the bed or cargo area and is supervising the child.
 - The child is secured or restrained by an approved seat belt.
 - An emergency situation exists.
 - The vehicle is operated in a parade with a valid permit or in an agricultural enterprise.
 - The vehicle is being operated in a county which has no incorporated area with a population greater than 3,500.

For more information, contact the NC Highway Safety Research Center (800) 672-4527.

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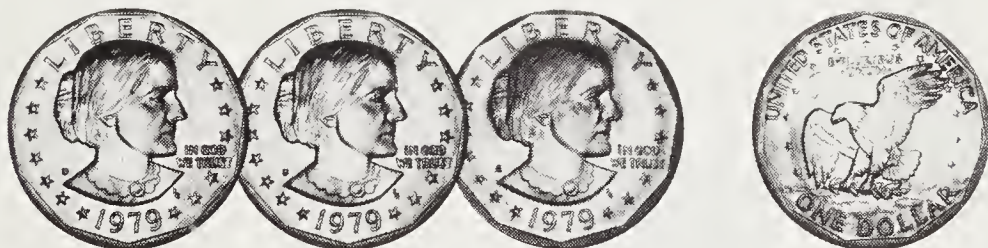
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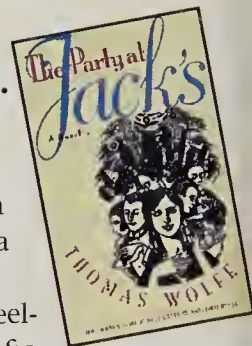
The Party at Jack's

Thomas Wolfe. Edited by Suzanne Stutman and John Idol Jr..
242 pages.

Fifty seven years after the author's death, the University of North Carolina Press offers a new novella by acclaimed North Carolina writer Thomas Wolfe. "The Party at Jack's" affords a significant glimpse of a Depression era New York inhabited by Wall Street wheelers and dealers and theatrical and artistic elite. Wolfe describes the fictional Esther and Frederick Jack and their friends, with special attention to mannerisms, clothing, furnishings and other trappings of wealth and privilege. Several working class characters provide contrast, plus reveal Wolfe's gifts as a writer and social critic.

Editors Suzanne Stutman and John Idol Jr. have provided unrevised text from Wolfe's handwritten and typed versions at Harvard's Houghton Library. With "The Party at Jack's" the UNC Press continues its long history of publishing material by and about Thomas Wolfe. (A complete listing is available.)

Available for \$19.95 (hardcover) at bookstores or from University of North Carolina Press, P.O. Box 2288, Chapel Hill, N.C. 800-848-6224.



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Edited by Joe A. Mobley. 436 pages.

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Mobley, senior editor with the Division of Archives and History, includes 406 documents including letters from government and military personages such as Robert E. Lee, Jefferson Davis and James Seddon, plus many letters from ordinary citizens.

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Journal of a Secesh Lady

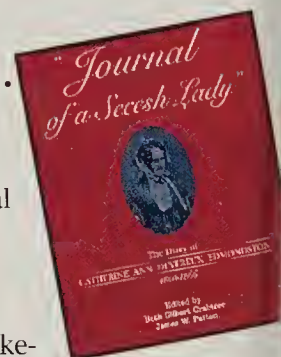
Edited by Beth G. Crabtree and James W. Patton. 850 pages.

An acclaimed Civil War diary is back in print. Offering a unique portrait of the Civil War in North Carolina, "Journal of a Secesh Lady: The Diary of Catherine Ann Devereaux Edmondston, 1860-1866" has been reprinted by the state Department of Cultural Resources.

This third printing of the journal features the only known likeness of Kate Edmondston. When her diary was originally published in 1979, no known picture existed. In 1993, a researcher discovered the photograph at Raleigh's Mordecai House, home of Kate's relatives. Wife of a wealthy planter and slaveholder in Halifax County, Mrs. Edmondston spent most of the war on two family plantations. In her four journals she commented extensively on the war, the opposing armies and casualties. The diary also depicts the immense impact of the Civil War on the slaveholding class, slaves and women.

The diary is fully indexed. It also offers genealogical charts and brief histories of the families. Illustrations include 40 black and white pictures of the plantations and relevant subjects. A separate section identifies more than 185 Civil War military leaders mentioned in the text.

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Making Cents of Your Electric Bill

by James Dulley



Ceiling fans.

Q: I just had some firewood delivered which I plan to use next winter to heat my living room. How can I tell if it is seasoned wood? How small should I split the logs? - H. K.

A: Look at the ends of the logs. If they are well seasoned, they should be checked and cracked. Knock two of the logs together. Seasoned wood makes a ringing sound, not a dull thud. If they seem to be well seasoned and they are small enough for you to knock together, you should not have to split them more. If the wood is still green, split it into smaller pieces so that it dries out by next winter.

Q: I want contemporary ceiling paddle fans for my living room and kitchen. They must be efficient and pay back the cost with utility bills savings. How can I tell which designs and features are best? - G.K.

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Many new efficient contemporary designer fans have three to six blades. One five-blade model, called Petal, has wraparound, petal-shaped blades. One five-blade model has split hi-tech airfoil blades.

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A larger, more powerful motor also runs cooler and quieter. Double shielded, permanently-lubricated bearings are most durable and quiet. Look for sound and vibration-reducing components between all metal parts.

A steeper pitch angle (twist) of the blade is better and moves more air at a lower speed. Most better-quality fans have a blade pitch of 13 or 14 degrees and even steeper on larger contemporary three-blade models.

Quality and balance of the blade finish are more important than the blade material itself (some blade sets are

matched to within one gram of each other). Some of the best quality, most expensive fan blades are made of laminated or solid hardwoods, engineering plastics or fabric covered frames.

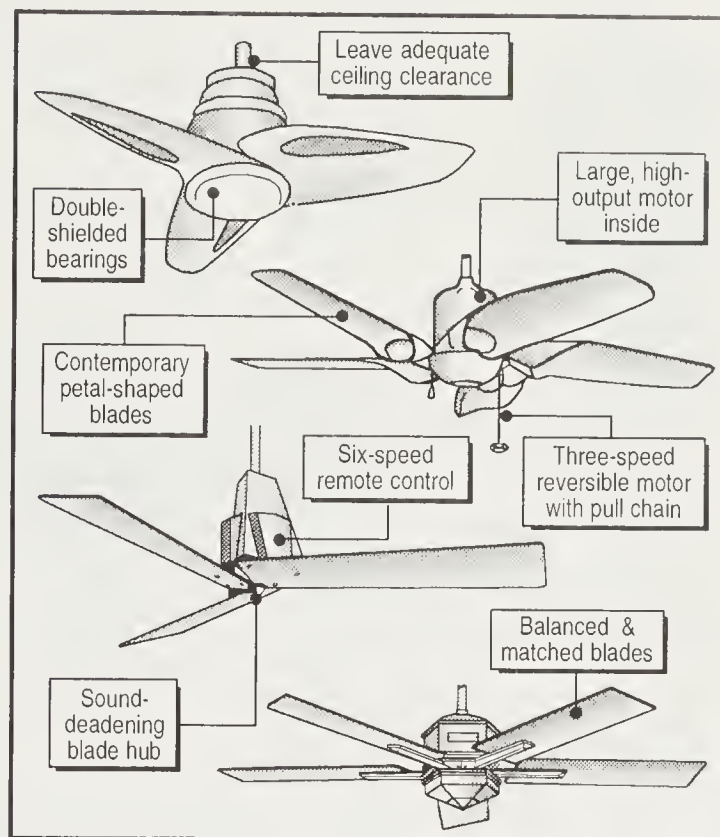
For the greatest convenience, select a fan with hand-held, remote speed and lighting controls. These are often available only on the highest quality fans. Remote controls are ideal for bedrooms or when relaxing by the TV.

One hand-held remote, Air Design, provides six speeds and programmable preset speed/lighting combinations. A unique sleep setting gradually slows the fan speed as you sleep. The typical pull chain three-speed settings on

most fans are often not adequate for effective, quiet cooling.

Even an expensive fan can pay back its cost in utility bills savings. A properly-sized fan allows you to comfortably raise your thermostat setting five degrees. In winter, reverse the fan rotation and set your thermostat lower.

Write for Update Bulletin No. 922 showing a buyer's guide of highest quality, efficient ceiling fan manufacturers listings, sizes, styles, speed range, blade pitch, motor housing materials, bearing types, features and a fan size selector chart. Please include \$2 and a business-size self-addressed stamped envelope to James Dulley, Carolina Country, 6906 Royalgreen Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45244.

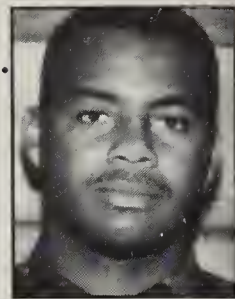


Contemporary fans increase comfort using little electricity

News of the Cooperatives

Youth camp selects reps to national event

Marvin Rankins of Aulander was set to attend the 1995 National Institute on Cooperative Education in Minneapolis July 29-Aug. 3 as one of four representatives from North Carolina. He was chosen while at the 1995 Cooperative Leadership Camp held at White Lake this summer. Roanoke Electric Cooperative sponsored him.



Marvin Rankins

While at White Lake, 56 youths were trained in forming and operating cooperatives while they enjoyed a week of camp activities. Roy Lowe of Central EMC in Sanford was camp director. Mike Beasley of Surry-Yadkin EMC was one of the counselors, and Dave Rowe of Randolph EMC was a featured speaker.

Cedar Island bridge honors Monroe Gaskill

Many people in Carteret and Craven counties, as well as quite a few state government officials, were fond of the late Monroe Gaskill, and now that a new bridge has been dedicated to his memory they will never forget him as they drive to his stomping grounds on Cedar Island.

The new Highway 12 high-rise bridge to Cedar Island is now officially the Monroe Gaskill Memorial Bridge. The dedication ceremony featured state Transportation Secretary Sam Hunt, Board of Transportation representative Bob Mattocks, and Carteret County Commissioner

David Yeomans, among others, including a contingent of the Gaskill family.

Monroe Gaskill was a well known commercial fisherman, store owner, hunting and fishing guide and community leader who lived on Cedar Island. He also served as a director of Carteret-Craven Electric Cooperative.

MONROE GASKILL MEMORIAL BRIDGE

Going the
extra mile.

North Carolina's electric cooperatives demonstrate their commitment to local communities not only through responsive customer service, but also by acts of responsible citizenship. Here are some recent examples:



A local golf outing organized by Lumbee River EMC raised \$4,600 for the "Help a Needy Friend" program that provides assistance to co-op members who experience a winter heating crisis.

The Four County Electric Care TRUST donated \$3,000 to Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church Mission Fund to help provide housing for a Bladen County family. The TRUST is composed of EMC members who administer funds provided by Four County Electric Membership Corporation's Operation Round Up program. EMC consumers may contribute to Operation Round Up voluntarily by rounding their monthly electric bill up to the nearest dollar. The extra money goes into a separate fund handled by the TRUST. Also, Four County EMC contributed \$100 to the Duplin County Library in support of its summer reading program.



Roanoke Electric Cooperative recently awarded the first grant from its operation Round Up Care Trust Fund. The \$300 grant went to the Gates County Emergency Ministries

that assists people in need who do not qualify for social services assistance. Roanoke Electric Cooperative also awarded its 11th annual scholarship to Christopher Riddick of Gates. The \$1,000 award will help Riddick this fall at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he plans to study political science and music. The scholarship is given annually to a young person who understands the cooperative way of doing business.

Pee Dee EMC has pledged \$5,000 per year for three years toward the Anson Community College Building Fund. The college plans a new classroom building on its Polkton campus.



Central EMC hosted a chicken barbecue for the Lee County chapter of the American Cancer Society and raised \$5,400 to assist county residents afflicted by cancer. Co-op staff began preparing chicken at 4 a.m. the day of the event and served more than 1,000 plates.

Said Central EMC Manager Thomas M. Stackhouse, "This was obviously something our employees believe in and really wanted to do for the community."

Joyner's Corner

by Charles Joyner



ases missed.



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CHALANT



SPONDENT

Jack, Jill and the Jury

Summary Statement

"Your Honor, members of the jury: We have introduced evidence to show that on the date hereto aforesaid the plaintiff, my client, suffered grievous bodily harm, to wit, a broken bicuspid, and great mental anguish while attempting to aid the defendant, at her request, in transporting a container of potable liquid down a precipitous incline.

"The nature of the liquid said to be in the container has been positively ascertained or identified due to the fact that said liquid was spilled upon the ground, perhaps intentionally, when the defendant fell against my client, the plaintiff, pushed him to the ground and caused him to break his aforesaid incisor. Correction, your Honor. I misspoke myself. Caused him to break his aforesaid bicuspid, which my client had only recently had crowned at considerable mental anguish and expense to the plaintiff, as detailed in Exhibit A and testified to by the orthodontist who appeared as an expert witness.

"We contend that the defendant was criminally negligent in falling on top of my client after causing him to fall to the rocky ground, and we seek real damages in the amount of one million dollars for pain and suffering incurred, and an additional \$74.23 for loss of wages during the time the plaintiff was physically incapacitated and was having the crown of the aforesaid incisor - strike that - bicuspid replaced by the aforesaid orthodontist whom you have heard testify as an expert witness, at great expense and mental anguish to my client.

"My client seeks further compensation of an additional \$500,000 for mental anguish and for the temporary loss of his engaging grin, not to mention his inscrutable smile, which the defendant had previously found so engaging, before she broke their engagement. I rest my case."

The Verdict

The jury, after being closeted for 15 minutes, or until lunch time, found for the defendant and returned a verdict of "not guilty."

The jury foreman, after demanding and receiving a sizable fee for speaking on camera exclusively to a commentator for one of the major networks, stated that members of the jury agreed that the salient facts of the case occurred as presented; that the plaintiff, Jack, and the defendant, Jill, did indeed go up the hill to fetch a pail of water; that Jack fell down and broke his crown; and that Jill came tumbling after.

However, in the unanimous opinion of the jury, the incident was an accident and an act of God. The entire trial took up 78 days and cost the taxpayers of the county in excess of \$50,000.

Missing Person

My next door neighbor is a missing person. Someone noticed yesterday that his house is vacant. Newspapers have been piling up on the porch for more than a month. They reported this to the police.

This morning the Chief of Detectives and a stenographer called on me for a statement. Could I describe Norm DeMeanor? Does he have any identifying marks, scars or characteristics?

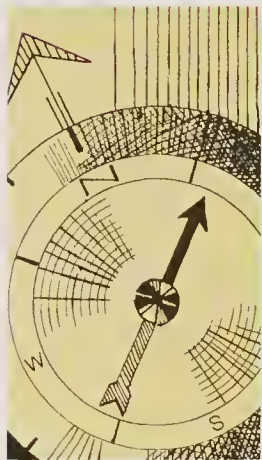
I was only too glad to cooperate, although I could give no good physical description. I was easy put, however, to pugn his spicable character.

Norm is a man who never knew the meaning of a prefix. A descript man, he is always plussed, cooth, effable, ept, ane, ert and dolent. His hair is always shevelled, his smile always scrutable.

His clothes, though sometimes peccable, are always kempt. A corrigible, consolate, sipid man, he is always gruntled, always chalant, always spondent, always vious and viant. I would classify him as both praved and ranged, a committal man, a grate who would rather veigh than inveigh, tract then detract. A meaning man whose character it is to ter, stroy, nounce and molish; one who would rather cline than decline, fert than defect, lay than delay. A man who would fer, file and fy before taking the other tack.

Although I did not tell the Chief of Detectives, I have reason to believe that Norm may have run off with my wife. At this choate stage, I miss him.

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Mountain State Fair
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Sept. 6-10, Fletcher
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Sept. 8-10, Shelby
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Broad River Fest
.....
Sept. 9, Boiling Springs
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Sept. 9, Blowing Rock
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.....
Sept. 9, Granite Falls
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Sept. 16, Louisburg
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Sept. 23, Sanford
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Sept. 23, Edenton
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Sept. 23-24, Hickory
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Stokes Stomp
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Sept. 23-24, Danbury
Crafts, entertainment and food at Moratock Park. Call the Stokes County Arts Council, (910) 593-8159.

Gem & Mineral Show
.....
Sept. 23-24, Hiddenite
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Thomas the Tank Engine
.....
Sept. 26, Winston-Salem
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Sept. 30-Oct. 1, Goldston
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Through Oct. 7, Charlotte
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"What About AIDS"
Through Oct. 8, Durham
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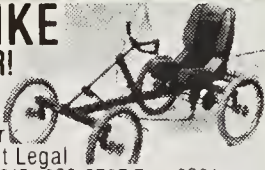
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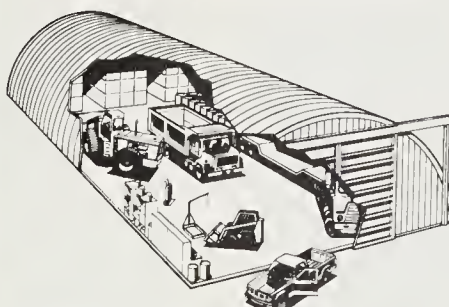
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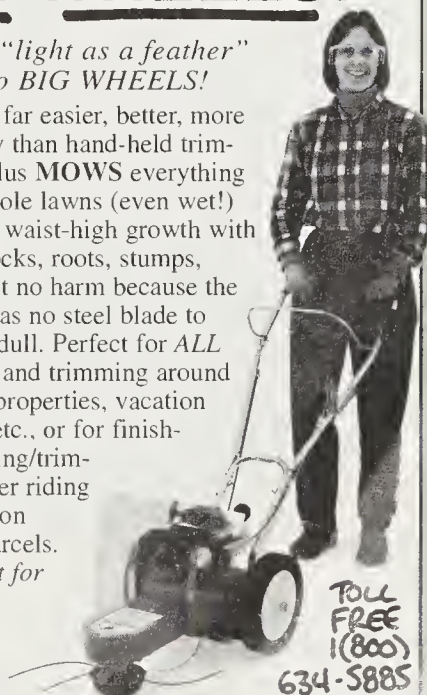
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Hank's Gardening Guide

by Hank Smith



Dig, divide and reset perennials this month.

In this pivot month between hot days of summer and the beginning of cool days, it's a good time to "keep on, keeping on" watering, feeding plants and controlling lawn and garden pests and diseases.

It's also time to dig-divide-reset any perennials not as yet so treated, purchase spring-flowering bulbs for later plantings, and get the soil ready for fall planting of shrubs and trees.

Houseplant care

Repot houseplants within the next few weeks to get them ready for the winter season. Remove unsightly foliage and pinch back growth as needed to shape plants. Inspect plants closely for signs of insects and diseases. Make any necessary spray applications.

Any pot plants that have become rootbound—evident by the coiling of roots around the inside of the pots—should be shifted to a larger pot. Replant in good potting soil.

Flowering plants such as geranium, begonia, impatiens and coleus can be lifted from the garden and potted to carry indoors over winter. This assures that next summer's garden will have some of your favorite varieties. However it is usually best to root cuttings of these plants, rather than carry over the mature plants.

Fall vegetables

It's possible to enjoy fresh vegetables out of your garden until well into autumn. Among seeds to plant are leaf lettuce, mustard, radish, kale and turnip greens. Onion sets also can be planted this month.

Tomato plants for fall gardens usually are hard to find. If vines from your summer crop are still healthy, you're in luck. Take disease-free suckers (young shoots that appear in the angle made by the leaf and stem) and use them as plants for a fall crop. Suckers should be at least pencil size in diameter and five to seven inches long. Set the sucker in well-prepared soil just as you would a rooted plant. Leave little more than the growth bud exposed and water well. Give it light shade until growth starts. Most suckers will begin producing fruit right away, because they already have bloom buds.



Crape Myrtle

Snip and rake

Remove all dead leaves and rake all litter from beneath plants. By ignoring this grooming we encourage the overwintering of insects and disease organisms. Clip away faded blooms of vitex, althea, buddeia (butterfly bush) and crape myrtle. This will prevent seed formation and will aid in keeping plants blooming into autumn. If perennial phlox and verbena have passed their prime, cut them back, fertilize and water well. You'll be rewarded with another crop of blooms in the fall.

Garden compost

Of continuing importance is the gardening practice of composting leaves, grass clippings and other garden refuse. Never burn or throw away such important components of the natural balance of nature. You can help both yourself and your community by making use of those healthy plant parts. Include kitchen throw-aways such as lettuce and cabbage leaves, carrot and beet tops. Do not include meat scraps. Grinders, compost hasteners, lime and fertilizers will all help decompose the compost pile and make it available for garden use next spring.

Rose grooming

Tea roses should be groomed for autumn blooms. Plants will produce better flowers if faded blooms are removed to prevent seed formation. Roses (and other plants) spend an amazing amount of energy in the production of seed.

Prune out all "blind" twigs. Cut plants back lightly to encourage the formation of flower buds. Apply a half-cup of well-balanced special rose fertilizer every two weeks until mid-October. Make certain plants have ample moisture. If rainfall is scant, soak roots at least once a week. This treatment should reward you with autumn blooms that are even better—often in larger numbers—than those in spring.

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Grassroots efforts seek to preserve historic highways

After writing about the revival of Burma Shave signs in the Midwest (March and April), I've come to see it as symbolic of the grassroots efforts that are now adding a new dimension to the nation's historic preservation movement.

The impetus for installing the new rhyming signs along roadsides in Ohio and Iowa came from the Lincoln Highway Association, which was organized in 1991 to preserve the historic U.S. Route 30. Meanwhile, a similar effort is now being organized by a California couple to preserve portions of U.S. Route 66.

The Lincoln Highway Association has developed a strong enough following to support various preservation activities. The highway was the nation's first transcontinental highway, stretching 3,889 miles from New York to San Francisco.

For details about the highway or its preservation organization, write to Bob Ausberger at Rt. 1, Box 72, Jefferson, Iowa 50129. You can join the association by sending a check to its treasurer, James R. Powell, P. O. Box 8117, St. Louis, MO 63156. Individual memberships are \$25 each.

The Route 66 preservation efforts are being led by David and Mary Lou Knudson of Tujunga, Calif., who hope to assure that future generations have a chance to get their "kicks" on Route 66, just as their grandparents could.

The legendary Mother Road extended 2,400 miles through eight states, from Chicago to Santa Monica. In the 1940s, the road's popular appeal grew when Nat King Cole recorded a hit tune singing its praises.

The road's mystique deepened 20 years later as a TV series sent Martin Milner and George Maharis (a.k.a. Todd and Buzz) on an extended journey along the highway. For several years, the wandering duo encountered romance and adventure wherever they traveled.

Now reruns of the series on American cable TV and in various international markets has stirred new interest in Route 66. U.S. Route 66 associations have been set up in several countries. In addition, a quarterly magazine devoted to the highway's past and present is now in its second year of operation. (See box for details.)

Motorists cruising Route 66 today for the first time may be in for a shock because much of the road can't live up to their nostalgic images of it.

"It's like driving into a time capsule of America in the 30s through the 60s," said

Mary Lou Knudson. "In many areas of the country Route 66 is a ghost highway. Most of the buildings are still there but the businesses, and for that matter, entire towns have closed down."

Signs along the road are now the only remains of once-thriving tourist attractions: Mysterious Caverns, Mountain Lion Ranches, Python Pits and Rattlesnake Farms.

David Knudson said, "Several stretches of the road have actually been torn up and many invaluable landmarks have been bulldozed. This is a national treasure that has to be preserved before it is completely gone."

The couple became so distressed about this trend that they organized the National Historic Route 66 Federation, which will call attention to the highway's plight and seek government and corporate funds to revitalize sections of it.

Amid this preservation hoopla, you could get the impression that Route 66 offers travelers little more than nostalgia. That's not true for some sections of the road, say officials of the Oklahoma Route 66 Association, which promotes Oklahoma's 392-mile stretch of the highway as a attractive route for tourists, truckers, antique collectors and corporate scouts searching for plant sites.

"Route 66 is still a working piece of highway. It's not a fad or a remembrance of the past," said Emily Ogle, director of the Claremore Chamber of Commerce.

The Oklahoma section of the highway still takes motorists near 38 places where they might want to spend some time, according to a publication of the Oklahoma Department of Tourism and Recreation. The attractions listed include the W. Rogers Memorial (Claremore), a restored round barn dating back to 1898 (Arcadia), the hometown of country music star Garth Brooks (Yukon) and the National Cowboy Hall of Fame (Oklahoma City). Scheduled to open this fall is the Route 66 Museum in Clinton.

For more information about these attractions, write or call the Oklahoma Route 66 Association, 223 East Third, Chandler, Okla. 74834. Phone: (405) 258-0008.

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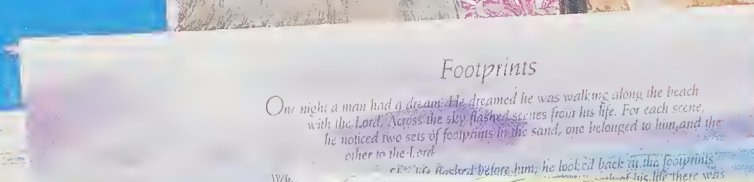
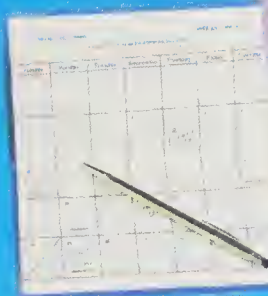
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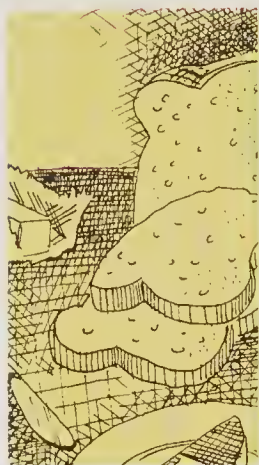
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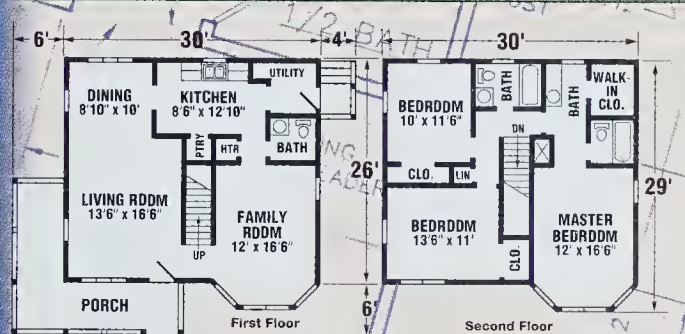
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